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To: The Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Post Office Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated June 21, 2004, please amend claim 20 in the attached response as set forth in Appendix A attached thereto. The balance of the amendment is as filed previously on May 4, 2004.

In view of the arguments and modification to the claims, allowance of Claims 1 - 24 in this case is warranted. Such favorable action is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully Submitted,

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I certify that this amendment is being deposited wit the United States Postal Service on the date shown below addressed to Assistant Commissioner of Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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